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CHAPTER 8

Joints: Part B

Classification of Synovial Joints

- Six types, based on shape of articular surfaces:
 - Plane
 - Hinge
 - Pivot
 - Condyloid
 - Saddle
 - Ball and socket

Plane Joints - Characteristics

- Nonaxial joints
- Flat articular surfaces
- Short gliding movements





Hinge Joints - Characteristics

- Uniaxial joints
- Motion along a single plane
- Flexion and extension only





Pivot Joints - Characteristics

- Rounded end of one bone conforms to a "sleeve," or ring of another bone
- Uniaxial movement only



Condyloid (Ellipsoidal) Joints -Characteristics

- Biaxial joints
- Both articular surfaces are oval
- Permit all angular movements







Saddle Joints - Characteristics

- Biaxial
- Allow greater freedom of movement than condyloid joints
- Each articular surface has both concave and convex areas



Saddle joint (carpometacarpal joint of thumb)



Ball-and-Socket Joints - Characteristics

- Multiaxial joints
- The most freely moving synovial joints



f Ball-and-socket joint (shoulder joint)



Knee Joint

- Largest, most complex joint of body
- Three joints surrounded by a single joint cavity:
 - Femoropatellar joint:
 - Plane joint
 - Allows gliding motion during knee flexion
 - Lateral and medial tibiofemoral joints between the femoral condyles and the C-shaped lateral and medial menisci (semilunar cartilages) of the tibia
 - Allow flexion, extension, and some rotation when knee is partly flexed





(a) Sagittal section through the right knee joint

Anterior



(b) Superior view of the right tibia in the knee joint, showing the menisci and cruciate ligaments

Knee Joint

- At least 12 associated bursae
- Capsule is reinforced by muscle tendons:
 - E.g., quadriceps and semimembranosus tendons
- Joint capsule is thin and absent anteriorly
- Anteriorly, the quadriceps tendon gives rise to:
 - Lateral and medial patellar retinacula
 - Patellar ligament



(c) Anterior view of right knee

Knee Joint

- Capsular and extracapsular ligaments
 - Help prevent hyperextension
- Intracapsular ligaments:
 - Anterior and posterior cruciate ligaments
 - Prevent anterior-posterior displacement
 - Reside outside the synovial cavity

Femur Tendon of **Articular capsule** adductor magnus **Oblique popliteal** Medial head of ligament gastrocnemius Lateral head of muscle gastrocnemius **Popliteus** muscle Bursa muscle (cut) Fibular collateral **Tibial collateral** ligament ligament **Arcuate popliteal** Tendon of ligament semimembranosus muscle Tibia

(d) Posterior view of the joint capsule, including ligaments



(e) Anterior view of flexed knee, showing the cruciate ligaments (articular capsule removed, and quadriceps tendon cut and reflected distally)





Shoulder (Glenohumeral) Joint

- Ball-and-socket joint: head of humerus and glenoid fossa of the scapula
- Stability is sacrificed for greater freedom of movement



(a) Frontal section through right shoulder joint

PLAY Animation: Rotating shoulder

Shoulder Joint

- Reinforcing ligaments:
 - Coracohumeral ligament—helps support the weight of the upper limb
 - Three glenohumeral ligaments—somewhat weak anterior reinforcements

Shoulder joint

- Reinforcing muscle tendons:
 Tendon of the long head of biceps:
 Travels through the intertubercular groove
 Secures the humerus to the glenoid cavity
 Four rotator cuff tendons encircle the shoulder joint:

 - Subscapularis
 Supraspinatus
 Infraspinatus

 - Teres minor



A&P Flix[™]: Rotator cuff muscles: An overview (a)



A&P Flix[™]: Rotator cuff muscles: An overview (b)



(c) Anterior view of right shoulder joint capsule



Elbow Joint

- Radius and ulna articulate with the humerus
- Hinge joint formed mainly by trochlear notch of ulna and trochlea of humerus
- Flexion and extension only



A&P Flix™: Movement at the elbow joint



(a) Median sagittal section through right elbow (lateral view)

Elbow Joint

- Anular ligament—surrounds head of radius
- Two capsular ligaments restrict side-to-side movement:
 - Ulnar collateral ligament
 - Radial collateral ligament



(b) Lateral view of right elbow joint



(d) Medial view of right elbow

PLAY Animation: Rotating elbow

Hip (Coxal) Joint

- Ball-and-socket joint
- Head of the femur articulates with the acetabulum
- Good range of motion, but limited by the deep socket
- Acetabular labrum—enhances depth of socket



A&P Flix™: Movement at the hip joint: An overview



(a) Frontal section through the right hip joint

Hip Joint

Reinforcing ligaments:

- Iliofemoral ligament
- Pubofemoral ligament
- Ischiofemoral ligament
- Ligamentum teres



(c) Posterior view of right hip joint, capsule in place





(d) Anterior view of right hip joint, capsule in place

Temporomandibular Joint (TMJ)

- Mandibular condyle articulates with the temporal bone
- Two types of movement
 - Hinge—depression and elevation of mandible
 - Gliding—e.g. side-to-side (lateral excursion) grinding of teeth
- Most easily dislocated joint in the body



(a) Location of the joint in the skull





Lateral excursion: lateral (side-to-side) movements of the mandible

Common Joint Injuries

- Sprains
 - The ligaments are stretched or torn
 - Partial tears slowly repair themselves
 - Complete ruptures require prompt surgical repair
- Cartilage tears
 - Due to compression and shear stress
 - Fragments may cause joint to lock or bind
 - Cartilage rarely repairs itself
 - Repaired with arthroscopic surgery



Common Joint Injuries

Dislocations (luxations)

- Occur when bones are forced out of alignment
- Accompanied by sprains, inflammation, and joint immobilization
- Caused by serious falls or playing sports
- Subluxation—partial dislocation of a joint

Inflammatory and Degenerative Conditions

Bursitis

- An inflammation of a bursa, usually caused by a blow or friction
- Treated with rest and ice and, if severe, antiinflammatory drugs

Tendonitis

- Inflammation of tendon sheaths typically caused by overuse
- Symptoms and treatment similar to bursitis

Arthritis

- >100 different types of inflammatory or degenerative diseases that damage joints
- Most widespread crippling disease in the U.S.
- Symptoms; pain, stiffness, and swelling of a joint
- Acute forms: caused by bacteria, treated with antibiotics
- Chronic forms: osteoarthritis, rheumatoid arthritis, and gouty arthritis

Osteoarthritis (OA)

- Common, irreversible, degenerative ("wear-and-tear") arthritis
- 85% of all Americans develop OA, more women than men
- Probably related to the normal aging process
- More cartilage is destroyed than replaced in badly aligned or overworked joints
- Exposed bone ends thicken, enlarge, form bone spurs, and restrict movement
- Treatment: moderate activity, mild pain relievers, capsaicin creams, glucosamine and chondroitin sulfate

Rheumatoid Arthritis (RA)

- Chronic, inflammatory, autoimmune disease of unknown cause
- Usually arises between age 40 and 50, but may occur at any age; affects 3 times as many women as men
- Signs and symptoms include joint pain and swelling (usually bilateral), anemia, osteoporosis, muscle weakness, and cardiovascular problems

Rheumatoid Arthritis

- RA begins with synovitis of the affected joint
- Inflammatory blood cells migrate to the joint, release inflammatory chemicals
- Inflamed synovial membrane thickens into a pannus
- Pannus erodes cartilage, scar tissue forms, articulating bone ends connect (ankylosis)



Rheumatoid Arthritis: Treatment

- Conservative therapy: aspirin, long-term use of antibiotics, and physical therapy
- Progressive treatment: anti-inflammatory drugs or immunosuppressants
- New biological response modifier drugs neutralize inflammatory chemicals

Gouty Arthritis

- Deposition of uric acid crystals in joints and soft tissues, followed by inflammation
- More common in men
- Typically affects the joint at the base of the great toe
- In untreated gouty arthritis, the bone ends fuse and immobilize the joint
- Treatment: drugs, plenty of water, avoidance of alcohol

Lyme Disease

- Caused by bacteria transmitted by the bites of ticks
- Symptoms: skin rash, flu-like symptoms, and foggy thinking
- May lead to joint pain and arthritis
- Treatment: antibiotics

Developmental Aspects of Joints

- By embryonic week 8, synovial joints resemble adult joints
- A joint's size, shape, and flexibility are modified by use
- Advancing years take their toll on joints:
 - Ligaments and tendons shorten and weaken
 - Intervertebral discs become more likely to herniate
 - Most people in their 70s have some degree of OA
- Exercise that coaxes joints through their full range of motion is key to postponing joint problems